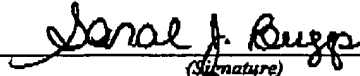
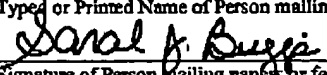


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Responsive to the Office Action dated November 7, 2003 please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 15-17.

**Remarks**

Claims 1 and 4-17 remain in the above captioned application. Claims 1 and 4-14 have been allowed by the Examiner. Claims 15 - 17 are rejected, and have been cancelled by this Response.

Applicants now believe that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued by the Examiner.